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SUBJ: DELEGATIONS ARRIVE FOR SPECIAL OAU SESSION

1. SUMMARY: DELEGATIONS ARE ARRIVING FOR APRIL 7-10
SPECIAL SESSION OF OAU CONCIL OF MINISTERS. OAU
SECRETARY GENERAL ACCOUNCED JOINT OAU-UN TEAM TO VISIT
ANGOLA AND SEEK AVOID CIVIL WAR. RHODESIAN ANC DELE-
GATION INLCUDES SITHOLE, TEMPORARILY RELEASED FROM
DETENTION TO ATTEND SESSION; ANC PROMISED MAJOR POLICY
STATEMENT ON RHODESIAN SITUATION AND RECENT CHITEPO
ASSASSINATION. END SUMMARY

2. DELEGATIONS FROM SOME SIXTY AFRICAN STATES, LIBERATION
MOVEMENTS, AND INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES ARE POURING INTO
DAR ES SALAAM FOR NINTH EXTRAORDINAY MEETING OF
OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS, WHICH IS TO BE OPENED
BY PRESIDENT NYERERE AFTERNOON APRIL 7 AT DAR ES
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SALAAM'S DIAMOND JUBILEE HALL. SPECIAL OAU MEETING

WAS CALLED BY OAU FOREIGN MINISTER'S MEETING IN ADDIS ABABA LAST FEBRUARY, AND IS TO DISCUSS AFRICAN STRATEGY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, AND IN PARTICULAR AFRICAN REACTION TO SO-CALLED "DETENTE POLICY" ANNOUNCED BY SOUTH AFRICAN PRIME MINISTER VORSTER.

3. OAU SECRETARY GENERAL ETEKI AND OTHER OAU SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS, TWO SPECIAL POLITICAL ADVISORS OF UN SECRETARY GENERAL WALDERIM (ABDULRAHIM FARAH AND (FNU) PEDANOU), CHAIRMAN OF UN DECOLONIZATION (SALIM A. SALIM) AND ANTI-APARTHEID (EDWIN OGBU) COMMITTEES, UN COMMISSIONER FOR NAMIMBIA (SEAN MCBRIDE), AND REPRESENTATIVES OF ILO, UNESCO AND UNHCR, ARE AMONG THOSE ATTENDING SESSION, WHICH WILL LAST UNTIL APRIL 19. ETEKI TOLD PRESS ON ARRIVAL APRIL 5 THAT JOINT OAU-UN TEAM WOULD BE SENT TO ANGOLA FOR ONE OR TWO WEEK VISIT TO INVESTIGATE POLITICAL SITUATION AND RECENT CLASHES BETWEEN FNLA AND MPLA UNITS. "AFTER THAT (INVESTIGATION)", HE SAID, "WE WILL TRY TO JOIN THE THREE LEADERS TO TRY TO MAKE THEM REMOVE ANY POSSIBILITY OF A CIVIL WAR."

4. MAIN SURPRISE SO FAR HAS BEEN SMITH REGIME'S TEMPORARY RELEASE FROM DETENTION OF RHODESIAN NATIONALIST LEADER NDABANINGI SITHOLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANC DELEGATION. SITHOLE ARRIVED DAR ES SALAAM APRIL 6 ALONG WITH ANC CHAIRMAN BISHOP MUZOREWA AND JOSHUA NKOMO, AND WAS GIVEN ENTHUSIASTIC POPULAR RECEPTION AT AIRPORT. SAME PLACE ALSO BROUGHT PRESIDENT NYERERE, RETURNING FROM TRIPARTITE MEETING WITH ZAMBIA'S PRESIDENT KAUNDA AND ZAIRE'S PRESIDENT MOBUTU AT KANANGA, ZAIRE, APRIL 5-6, AND ZAMBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER VERNON MWAANGA.

5. ON ARRIVAL BISHOP MUZOREWA TOLD PRESS THAT ANC WOULD MAKE MAJOR POLICY STATEMENT TO OAU SESSION ON SITUATION IN RHODESIA AND ON RECENT ASSASSINATION IN LUSAKA OF ANC LEADER HERBERT CHITEPO. MUZOREWA AND THE OTHER TWO LEADERS ENDORSED INVESTIGATION OF KILLING LAUNCHED BY ZAMBIA GOVERNMENT.

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